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HISTORY

of the

23d TACTICAL FIGHTER WING

Twelfth Air Force, Tactical Air Command

1 January - 30 June 1969

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FOREWORD

Incredibly poor flying weather dominated the efforts of the 23rd Tactical Fighter Wing during the first six months of 1969. With a demanding RTU schedule to meet, the Wing had to make up more than 3,000 flying hours lost to weather in January, February, and March. By reverting to centralized scheduling and requiring 1.2 sorties per day per aircraft, the RTU classes were kept on schedule.

A total of 60 combat-ready F-105 pilots were graduated during this period with four classes in training at the close of the period totaling 74 students. Additionally, over 200 SEAMAT students were graduated in support of Southeast Asia requirements.

An indication of the effort being made to improve all facets of the Wing came early in the period when the Twelfth Air Force General Inspection noted a drop in repeat discrepancies from 78 to 15. This attention to procedural detail paid off when the loss of eight aircraft in the last reporting period (July to December, 1968) was reduced to two aircraft lost in the first six months of 1969.

This history records the problems and achievements of the Wing during the first six months of 1969. Grateful acknowledgement is made to all persons who contributed to its preparation. This history is subject to revision and correction. All recommendations will be graciously received and objectively evaluated.

COMMANDER'S APPRAISAL

The first half of 1969 saw a marked improvement in the 23rd Tactical Fighter Wing. In spite of the worst flying weather in years, the Wing graduated all of our RTU classes on schedule. More importantly, a vastly improved flying safety record was established with a 75% reduction in accidents over the previous six months.

After losing nearly half of our scheduled sorties in the first quarter, we were forced to go to a 1.2 sortie rate, six days a week. An intensive upgrading of the RTU operation proceeded through the use of standardization and trend analysis. The tendency to cut corners to catch up had to be overcome. To the credit of our supervisors, procedures were tightened throughout the Wing.

Our support activities were recognized throughout the period as being among the best. The base newspaper, CONTRAILS, was named Best in the Air Force in its class. The Wing Intelligence section won the TAC Achievement Award with other TAC winners being our Procurement Office and Major Stark Sanders, named the Outstanding Young Judge Advocate of 1968. Additionally, the Wing was cited for its safety check program by the Auto Industries Highway Safety Committee.

These accomplishments came during a time of continuous personnel turbulence caused by the reduction in manpower. Our mission remained approximately equal to the prior six months while our assigned strength was cut by fourteen per cent. I am proud of the people of the Wing for the way in which they responded to the challenge. When I asked for their maximum effort, I got it. I am confident that the excellence

displayed this year will be reflected in future histories of the Flying Tigers.

JAMES V. HARTINGER
Colonel, USAF
Commander

CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

23d Tactical Fighter Wing

1 January - 30 June 1969

- 10 Jan 69 Sgt Russell R Saunders, 563 TFS, selected as Base Airman of the Year for 1968. Nominated for TAC Airman of the Year.
- 13 Jan The 561 TFS graduated the 4 remaining students of class 69ER after 120 hours of flying.
- Class 69JRM, consisting of 18 officers, arrived at McConnell AFB to begin AT-33 Familiarization Training as a prerequisite of F-105 course entry.
- 14 Jan 23TFW cited for "noteworthy support of the National Vehicle Safety Check Program" by the Auto Industries Highway Safety Committee.
- 15 Jan Major William S Koenitzer (561 TFS) selected as an operations member to the F-15 Specifications Planning Board.
- 17 Jan 4519 CCTS began training class 69HR with 22 students, all of whom were recent UPT graduates.
- 561 TFS wins 23 TFW gunnery meet at Smoky Hill Air Force Range.
- 19 Jan Tactical Air Command Band presents free concert in Wichita's new Century II Civic Center.
- 20 Jan The Ground Attack phase manual was changed to allow 1500' minimum on low level navigation on the first mission and 500' minimum thereafter.
- 23 TFW Supplement 1 to 12AFR 60-1 was revised to include requirement for logging unusual occurrences during SOF tours, designating a focal point for contacting the SOF, and requiring listing of technical personnel available to be contacted in case of inflight malfunctions and emergencies.
- 23 Jan Approval received from TAC for RTU students to fly the Combat Nail F-105F aircraft.
- 24 Jan Colonel David L Willetts assumes command of the 835th Combat Support Group vice Colonel Carl M Hagle.
- 27-31 Jan 12th AF General Inspection.
- 31 Jan McConnell AFB hosts Wichita Area Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee to 'stockholders' meeting.

31 Jan 23 TFW Reg 50-4 revised to include a more comprehensive critique form and simplify procedures for distribution and collection of forms.

4 Feb First solo in F-105 for 4519 CCTS for CATEGORY IV Students, 8 majors, 8 captains, and 2 lieutenants.

7 Feb McConnell's base newspaper, CONTRAILS, selected as Best in Air Force among 34 Class III commercial newspapers.

7-8 Feb Three of four McConnell boxers win class in Wichita Golden Glove Championships. Winners were Ned Regalado (562 TFS), Paul Pagiera (835 SS), and Bill Hollingsworth (835 SS).

10 Feb Class 69JRM officially completed AT-33 Familiarization Training and entered in USAF F-105 Operational Training Course 111106B.

Lt Col Nevin G Christensen assumed command of the 561 TFS.

563 TFS class 69GR deployed to George AFB taking 24 aircraft.

561 TFS began training class 69JR with 18 students.

Groundbreaking ceremonies for \$1.9 million housing complex in McConnell Manor. 100 units to be completed by 10 April 1970.

15 Feb 23 TFW Dining-In. Brigadier General Edward R. Fry (KANG) is guest speaker.

Maj Jack L Graber named TAC Aircrewman of Distinction for successful recovery of T-33 following engine vibration and flameout.

Outgoing 561 TFS Commander, Lt Col Harry D Sultzer, is presented the first wing gunnery competition trophy by Col Hartinger, 23 TFW Commander, during dining-in ceremonies. The trophy was won by a squadron team consisting of Sultzer, Maj Fred T Coleman, Maj William Koenitzer, and Maj Sam P Morgan.

20 Feb TSgt Patrick H Cardoza, 401s TFD, presented Bronze Star Medal for outstanding supervisory ability while serving in the Republic of Vietnam.

21 Feb 23 TFW Sup 1 to TACR 51-3, Special Category Tactical Fighter Flying Training, was published. It conforms to the new TAC Reg and defines training for those Category IV students without previous F-105 experience but with extensive tactical fighter backgrounds.

Mrs Harold R Slagle selected as Family Services Volunteer of the Year.

22 Feb 4519 CCTS Class holds solo party after all CAT IV successfully flew the F-105D.

24 Feb The 562 TFS class 69FR graduated 9 students from the 92 hour course. The additional 5 UPT students remained one month to complete 120 flying hours.

26 Feb The 563 TFS returned from George AFB, Calif, deployment with 24 aircraft, RTU Class 69GR.

Class 69-A of the 23 TFW Officer Career Development Program (CDP) begins. Ten outstanding officers enroll in 43-week program to prepare them for top management and command assignments.

28 Feb Maj Stark O Sanders, Jr, 23 TFW staff judge advocate, nominated by TAC for Albert M Kuhlfield Award as the Air Force's outstanding young judge advocate of 1968.

Nine students of class 69FR training with the 562 TFS are graduated. Lt Col Alan Coville named outstanding student.

1 Mar Col W E Davis, Jr, 835th Air Division Commander, promoted to Brig Gen.

Maj Gen Jay T Robbins, 12th Air Force Commander, presents Distinguished Flying Crosses to 21 officers.

3 Mar 562 TFS begins training class 70AAR with 14 students.

7 Mar The 23 TFW participated in an Aerial Review and provided an F-105 static display at Headquarters TAC, Langley AFB, Va, for the visit of Secretary of the Air Force, Seamans.

8 Mar McConnell's boxing team wins TAC team championship at Mt Home AFB, Idaho. Welterweight Ned Regalado wins Outstanding Boxer Award. Coach Capt Gerald L Vinson named as 1969 TAC coach to take the command team to the world-wide AF championships.

12 Mar MSgt Leroy L Sabo assumed duties as First Sergeant of 561 TFS vice SMSgt Francis V English who is on terminal leave status.

16 Mar Lt Joe Pappe, 23 OS, wins heavyweight division of TAC Wrestling Tournament at George AFB, Calif. Pappe coached TAC team in USAF meet and won third in Freestyle and fourth in Greco-Roman. McConnell teammate Nick Riniker won 180 lb class at TAC and fourth in USAF.

23 TFW wins TAC Outstanding Unit Intelligence Achievement Award. Intelligence section cited for "the motivation, dedication, and ingenuity of assigned personnel."

18 Mar KAKE-TV, Channel 10, presents 30-min documentary entitled "To Fly The Swift Bird". Documentary relates McConnell's mission as the only F-105 training base in support of SEA. Capt Don Wallace, 563 TFS, featured as his training progresses to combat-ready status.

24 Mar First labor contract ever drafted at McConnell AFB signed by Col David L Willetts, 835 CSG Commander, and Edward Leecy, president of Lodge 1737 of the American Federation of Government Employees.

25 Mar RTU Class 69FR (562 TFS) graduates remaining 5 students with 120 hours of flying.

27 Mar Twenty-six McConnell AFB officers and enlisted men receive decorations and awards for service in SEA. Col James V Hartinger, 23 TFW Commander, presented Air Medals to eleven and Bronze Stars to fifteen.

Briefing time for F-105 training missions in special categories increased from 2 hours to 2½ hours.

28 Mar McConnell's Procurement Office honored as Best in TAC by Gen Jack G Merrill, AFLC Commander, at World-Wide Procurement Conference at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

4 Apr An F-105 #61-0115 assigned to the 4519 CCTS completes 100 missions without an abort. The pilot of this first-ever mission, Lt Col Harry Schurr, cited crewchief SSgt Roy Dudley for his "skill and devotion to duty".

10 Apr An F-105 piloted by Maj Donald L Frazier crashed shortly after takeoff near Andover, Kansas. Frazier ejected successfully with minor injuries.

Class 70ARM entered training.

15 Apr Lt Col William C Emrie, Det 16 Commander, is presented CARRC "Commander's Award" for the first quarter of 1969.

16 Apr 4519 CCTS deployed to George AFB with class 69HR taking 23 aircraft.

19 Apr KAKE-TV, Channel 10, has second prime-time showing of RTU documentary, "To Fly The Swift Bird".

24 Apr The Transition phase manual was revised in response to receipt of a letter from Fairchild-Hiller advising that the angle of attack tape had not been tested or calibrated for other than the landing configuration.

25 Apr Red River Valley Fighter Pilots Association holds 1st reunion in Wichita. Approximately 800 'River Rats' attend three-day session.

AT-33 Familiarization Program of lead-in training to the F-105 RTU program discontinued. AT-33s assigned to 4519 CCTS moved to Myrtle Beach AFB, S.C., as part of TAC's consolidation of lead-in programs.

29 Apr Capt Hugh J Connelly, a student of Class 69JRM, was killed in the crash of his F-105 aircraft near Lyons, Kansas. Connelly was on an aerial attack training mission.

30 Apr

14 students were graduated by the 563 TFS in class 69GR with 92 hours of flying.

This was the last date the 92 hour syllabus, 111506B, was used by the 23 TFW.

563 TFS began training class 70AR with 17 students, 3 of whom were recent UPT graduates.

6 May

4519 CCTS returned from George AFB with class 69HR using 23 aircraft.

561 TFS deployed to George AFB with class 69JR using 20 aircraft.

16 May

Maj Charles McCauseland becomes 23d Supply Squadron Commander with retirement of Maj Glenn Schmidt.

17 May

Congressman Keith Sebellius from Kansas District 1 (51 western counties) tours McConnell AFB flightline.

21 May

Class 69-D graduates 22 from McConnell AFB Non-Commissioned Officers' Leadership School.

561 TFS returned from George AFB with class 69JR using 20 aircraft.

22 May

Twenty officers and enlisted personnel are presented awards by Brig Gen W E Davis, Jr, 835 AD Commander, in formal ceremonies in the Bldg 1218 hangar.

562 TFS deployed to George AFB with class 70AAR taking 20 aircraft.

23 May

Ground breaking ceremonies for the new \$150,000 Base Exchange Service Station. Completion date estimated as 11 October 69.

26 May

McConnell AFB wins 12 AF Tennis Tournament. Doubles winners, John Sisson and Bill Hough, met in singles finals with Sission victorious. Col James Hartinger and Lt Col James Benner team to win senior doubles with Hartinger coming back with 2nd in senior singles.

29 May

The remaining 6 students in class 69GR were graduated with 120 hours of flying time.

2 Jun

Gen Bruce K Holloway, CINCSAC, visits McConnell AFB to inspect 381st SMW.

3 Jun

Gen William W Momyer, CINCTAC, visits McConnell AFB and presents Silver Stars to Lt Col Nevin G Christensen and Capt Kenneth D Thaete, both of the 561 TFS.

184th TFG (KANG) returns to McConnell AFB for demobilization processing. F-100 unit had been called to duty following the Pueblo crisis and was stationed at Kunsan AB, Korea.

4 Jun The 562 TFS class 70AAR returned from George AFB using 20 aircraft.

7 Jun Col Wesley D Kimball becomes Director of Operations vice Col Howard F Hendricks who is reassigned as assistant chief of staff, Operations Division, in Ismir, Turkey.

8 Jun All 23 TFW units with "835" prefix are changed to "23" prefix. ✓
Those units involved are the Combat Support Group, Headquarters Squadron Section, Security Police Squadron, Civil Engineer Squadron, Supply Squadron, Transportation Squadron, and Tactical Hospital.

11 Jun The 23 TFW message to TAC requesting the unlimited formation takeoffs be included in the syllabus was approved.

17 Jun 23d Supply Squadron wins 23 TFW rotating trophy as Outstanding Unit for May 1969. Trophy based on performance in command designated areas.

18 Jun 184 TFG (KANG) demobilized in ceremonies at McConnell AFB.

21 Jun Col LeRoy J Manor succeeds Brig Gen W E Davis, Jr, as Commander of 835 AD.

27 Jun 401s FTD graduates MSgt Howard E Smith as 3,000th SEAMAT student since training mission began on 1 Jan 66.

28-30 Jun Capt Kenneth D Thaete was selected to represent the 23 TFW in "Falcon 69" by familiarizing the AFA cadets with F-105 operations in the tactical environment.

29 Jun 23d Security Police color guard, 12 AF Band, and CMSgt Richard Leake as assistant parade marshall lead McConnell AFB participation in Wichita's Pageant of Progress Centennial Parade.

Maj Joe Steen (562 TFS) deploys to Cannon AFB, N. M., with one F-105 to participate in Falcon 69.

30 Jun SMSgt Francis V English, former 561 TFS First Sergeant, officially retired from the USAF after 20 years service.



Biography

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL JAMES V. HARTINGER

Colonel James V. Hartinger is Commander of the 23rd Tactical Fighter Wing (TAC), McConnell AFB, Kansas. The head of the famed "Flying Tiger" unit was born April 17, 1925 in Middleport, Ohio, where he graduated from Middleport High School in 1943.

He enlisted in the U. S. Infantry in July 1943 and two years later entered the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, N. Y. In 1949 upon graduation, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the USAF.

Within four years of graduation from the "Point," Colonel Hartinger had logged two foreign assignments. The first was at Furstenfelbruck, Germany, and the second at Kunsan, Korea, where he flew his first combat missions in the F-84E Thunderjet.

More than 3,500 of his 4,000 flying hours are in single engine jet aircraft and since stepping into the seat of an F-80, some of the aircraft Colonel Hartinger has piloted are the F-86, F-102, F-104, F-106, F-4C, the new F-111, and now the F-105.

Colonel Hartinger assumed command of the famed Flying Tiger unit August 28, 1968. He came to McConnell from Nellis AFB, Nev. where he was F-111 Test Director in the U. S. Air Force Tactical Fighter Weapons Center.

He is a Vietnam veteran and is credited with 100 combat missions in the F-4C Phantom. Stationed in Saigon at Tan Son Nhut AB, he was the command center director, Headquarters 7th Air Force (PACAF).

The colonel also holds a master's degree in business administration from George Washington University, Wash., D. C. He completed the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in June of 1966.

He and his wife, the former Susan E. Allensworth of Middleport, Ohio, reside on base with their three children, James Jr., 18; Kristin, 16; and Mike, age 14.

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(Current as of September 1968)

PERSONAL FACT SHEET

A. Personal Data

1. Born - April 17, 1925, Middleport, Ohio; father - Lawrence C. (Deceased); mother - Violet M. Hartinger.
2. Married - June 12, 1949; wife - Susan E; children - James V. Jr., 18; Kristin, 16; and Mike, 14.
3. Hometown - Middleport, Ohio.

B. Education

1. Graduate Middleport High School, Ohio, 1943.
2. Graduate U. S. Military Academy, West Point, N. Y.
3. Master's degree in business administration from George Washington University, Wash., D. C., 1963.
4. Flying training, Randolph AFB, Tex., 1950.
5. Squadron Officers' School, Maxwell AFB, Ala., 1954.
6. Completed Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Ft. McNair, Washington, D. C.
7. F-4C Phantom replacement training course, MacDill AFB, Fla., 1966 completed.
8. USAF F-111 Operational Training course, Nellis AFB, Nev., 1968.

C. Service

1. Jul 1943 - Jun 1945 Enlisted, sergeant U. S. Army.
2. Jun 1945 - Jun 1949 Cadet, U. S. Military Academy.
3. Aug 1949 - Aug 1950 Flying Training, Randolph AFB, Tex.
4. Sep 1950 - Jan 1952 Flight Commander, 36th Ftr Bombr Wg, Furstenfelbruck, Germany.
5. Jan 1952 - Jul 1953 Fighter Pilot, 474th Ftr Bomb Wg, Kunsan, Korea.
6. Jul 1953 - Sep 1954 Gunnery Instructor, Williams AFB, Ariz.

7. Dec 1954 - Apr 1955 Squadron Officers' School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

8. Apr 1955 - Jun 1958 Fighter Pilot and Air Operations Officer, 331st Fighter Interceptor Sq., Stewart AFB, N. Y. (ADC)

9. Jun 1958 - Jun 1962 Intercept. Systems Ops Staff Off., Weapons Br., Air Defense Div., DCS/D, Dir. of Req., Hq., USAF.

10. Jun 1962 - Jun 1963 Masters Program, George Washington University, D. C.

11. Jun 1963 - Jun 1965 Ops Staff Off., Gen. Planning Br., Plans Div., Director of Plans, Hq. PACAF, Hickam AFB, Hawaii.

12. Jun 1965 - Jul 1966 Student, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Ft. McNair, Washington, D. C.

13. Jul 1966 - Dec 1966 Student, F-4C Phantom replacement training, 43rd Tac Fighter Sq., MacDill AFB, Fla. (TAC)

14. Dec 1966 - Dec 1967 Command Center Director, Hq. 7th Air Force, Tan Son Nhut AB, Vietnam (PACAF)

15. Jan 1968 - Aug 1968 F-111 Category III Test Director, USAF Tac Fighter Weapons Center, Nellis AFB, Nev. (TAC)

16. Aug 1968 - Present Commander, 23rd Tactical Fighter Wing, McConnell AFB, Kansas (TAC)

D. Decorations and Service Awards

Air Medal w/6 Oak Leaf Clusters
Legion of Merit
Distinguished Flying Cross
Air Force Commendation Medal
Army Commendation Medal
World War II Victory Medal
Army of Occupation Medal
Korean Service Medal
Nat. Def. Service Medal w/1
Bronze Service Star

Air Force Longevity Service
Award w/4 Oak Leaf Clusters
Vietnam Service Medal w/2
Bronze Service Stars
Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal
Good Conduct Medal
Small Arms Marksmanship Ribbon

E. Effective Dates of Promotions

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Temporary</u>	<u>Permanent</u>
2nd Lt	June 3, 1949	June 3, 1949
1st Lt	Jan 16, 1951	June 3, 1952
Capt	May 13, 1954	June 3, 1956
Maj	June 7, 1960	June 3, 1963
Lt Col	July 12, 1964	
Col	Oct 1, 1966	



Chapter 1

MISSION, ORGANIZATION, AND ADMINISTRATION

The 23d Tactical Fighter Wing is located at McConnell AFB, Wichita, Kansas. It is assigned to the 835th Air Division,¹ which is tenant at McConnell, and to 12th Air Force.

The Wing has been at McConnell since 8 February 1964, when its predecessor organization, the 388th Tactical Fighter Wing, was redesignated as the 23d TFW.² The Wing's first role was that of an operational F-105 unit. Several squadrons were deployed to Southeast Asia in 1964 and 1965, but all were returned in the fall of 1965 to support the Wing's new mission of training pilots in the operation of the Republic Aviation F-105 Thunderchief.³ Concurrently, F-105 units at Nellis and Seymour-Johnson Air Force Bases were deactivated, making McConnell the only active F-105 base in the continental United States.

The training program degraded the operational mission of the Wing to secondary status and adversely affected the Wing's combat-ready potential. This problem was partially alleviated in April 1968 when Tactical Air Command ordered the reorganization of the Wing, giving each tactical fighter squadron the capability of independent, simultaneous operation with its own maintenance, supply, and transportation resources.⁴

In general terms, the mission of the Wing is to:⁵

a. Organize, equip, train, and administer forces assigned or attached;

1. 835AD Reg 23-1, 17 July 1967.

2. S.O. G-14, Hq TAC, 28 Jan 1964.

3. Secret msg, DOFT-TU 55630, Nov 1965.

4. CONFIDENTIAL AFM 2-40, Chap III, para 16a, CONUS. (UNCLASSIFIED)

5. 835AD Reg 23-1, 17 Jul 1967.

- b. Provide combat aircrew training as may be directed by the 835th Air Division or higher headquarters;
- c. Train for and maintain a capability that will insure compliance with current emergency war plans, disaster control plans, operational orders, and operational plans;
- d. Conduct training and provide advisory assistance as required by current directives and as otherwise directed for designated Air Reserve Forces units.

To carry out its primary mission of aircrew training, the Wing conducts three courses:⁶

- a. USAF Operational Training Course 111506B (F-105);
- b. USAF Operational Training Course 111106B (F-105);
- c. AT-33 Familiarization Course 111501E.

USAF Operational Training Course 111506B (F-105) was terminated on 30 April 1969 with the graduation of class 69GR.⁷ The terminated course was based on 92 flying hours while Course 111106B requires 120 flying hours.

The AT-33 Familiarization Course was discontinued on 25 April 1969 with the consolidation of lead-in training at Myrtle Beach AFB, S.C., as part of a TAC program.⁸ AT-33 aircraft from the 23d TFW were moved to Myrtle Beach AFB with the program change.

Other training conducted by the Wing includes Instructor Pilot Upgrade training in F-105 aircraft (Course I-111506B)⁹; Category IV (refresher)

6. AFM 50-5, 1 Jun 1968.

7. 23d DO History, Jan-Jun 1969, pg 3.

8. 12 AF Message, Centralized T/AT-33 Lead-In Training, 5 Feb 1969.

9. 23d TFW Reg 23-8, 19 Feb 1968.

training in the F-105;¹⁰ and Southeast Asia Maintenance (SEAMAT) training, involving 15 direct Air Force specialty codes.¹¹

The 835th Air Division has delegated certain responsibilities for training and inspection of Air National Guard units under the Division to the 23d Wing. This includes primarily advisory visits and on-the-job training at McConnell AFB.¹² Units involved under this commitment are:

122nd Tactical Fighter Wing (Indiana ANG),
Baer Field, Fort Wayne, Indiana; and

136th Air Refuelling Wing (Texas ANG),
Dallas, Texas.

Subordinate units of the 23d TFW were redesignated from '835' prefixes to '23' prefixes on 8 June 1969.¹³ ~~wrong~~ The redesignation followed by nearly a year the realignment of '835th' support units under the 23d TFW Command. In 1965 the 23d TFW and 355th TFW were co-located at McConnell AFB and the support unit was assigned to the 835th Air Division. When the 355th was deployed to Thailand in 1965 as part of the SEA buildup, the support group continued to report to the AD until it became apparent that a more workable organization was to assign the Support Group to the Wing. Units affected by the redesignation are the Combat Support Group, Tactical Hospital, Supply Squadron, Civil Engineering Squadron, Transportation Squadron, and Services Squadron. These units inherit the campaign streamers and decorations of the new designation.¹⁴

10. Ibid.

11. TAC PPlan 7-67, 1 Apr 1967.

12. 835 AD Supp to AFR 45-6, 17 Jul 1967.

13. TAC S.O. G-43, 27 Mar 1969.

14. Air University, USAF Unit Lineage and Honors, 17 Jun 1969.

ORGANIZATION CHART 835th AIR DIVISION

Tenant Units - - - - -
Reserve Forces = = = = =
Command Line

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**ANG Advisors

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as of 23 June 1969.

12th AIR FORCE

835th AD - Commander (C)	6765
*20 Col Manor	

Chief of Safety (OS)	6369
*26 LTC Augsburg	

Dir of Operations (DO)	5617
*21 Col Pickett	

Dir of Materiel (DM)	5968
*50 Col Pottebaum	

Administration (CXO)	6766
CMS Leake	

23d Tac Ftr Wg (C)	6387
*62 Col Hartinger	

123 Tac Recon Wg	
DEACTIVATED	9 June 1969

75th Tac Recon Wg	
BG Cross	685-3330

381st Strat Msl Wg	
Col Michel	6793
Col Newsum	6794

23COSGP (CB)	
*40 Col Willetts	5593/5594

AC Det 33, 25 Wea Sq	
LTC Guimares (WEA)	5611

401st FTD (ATC)	5950
Lt Crane (FTD)	

Det 19, MMED(TAC)	5917
Major Boyd (MMED19)	

2007th Comm Sq	6314
Capt Giampietro (DCE)	

MAC Det 16, CARRC	5921
LTC Emrie (CAR)	

Civil Air Patrol	5747
MSG Stephens (CAP)	

Resident Auditor	6381
Mr. Voigt (AFAUD)	

**122nd Tac Ftr Wg	
Col Loisel	551-3720, Ext 45

Baer Field, Indiana

**190th Tac Rec Gp	
Maj McDonald	270-5276

Forbes AFB, Kansas

**127th Tac Recon Wg	
Col Green	722-3397, Ext 28

Detroit ANGB, Michigan

**136th Air Refl Wg	
Col Cranfill	733-1555, Ext 387

Dallas NAS, Texas

D/C Operations	5964
Col Cheatham	

D/C Materiel	6344
Col Smith	

381st Comm Sq	6786
LTC Jeffries	

381st MM Sq	5136
Col Stockton	

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LTC Andersen	

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LTC Cooper	

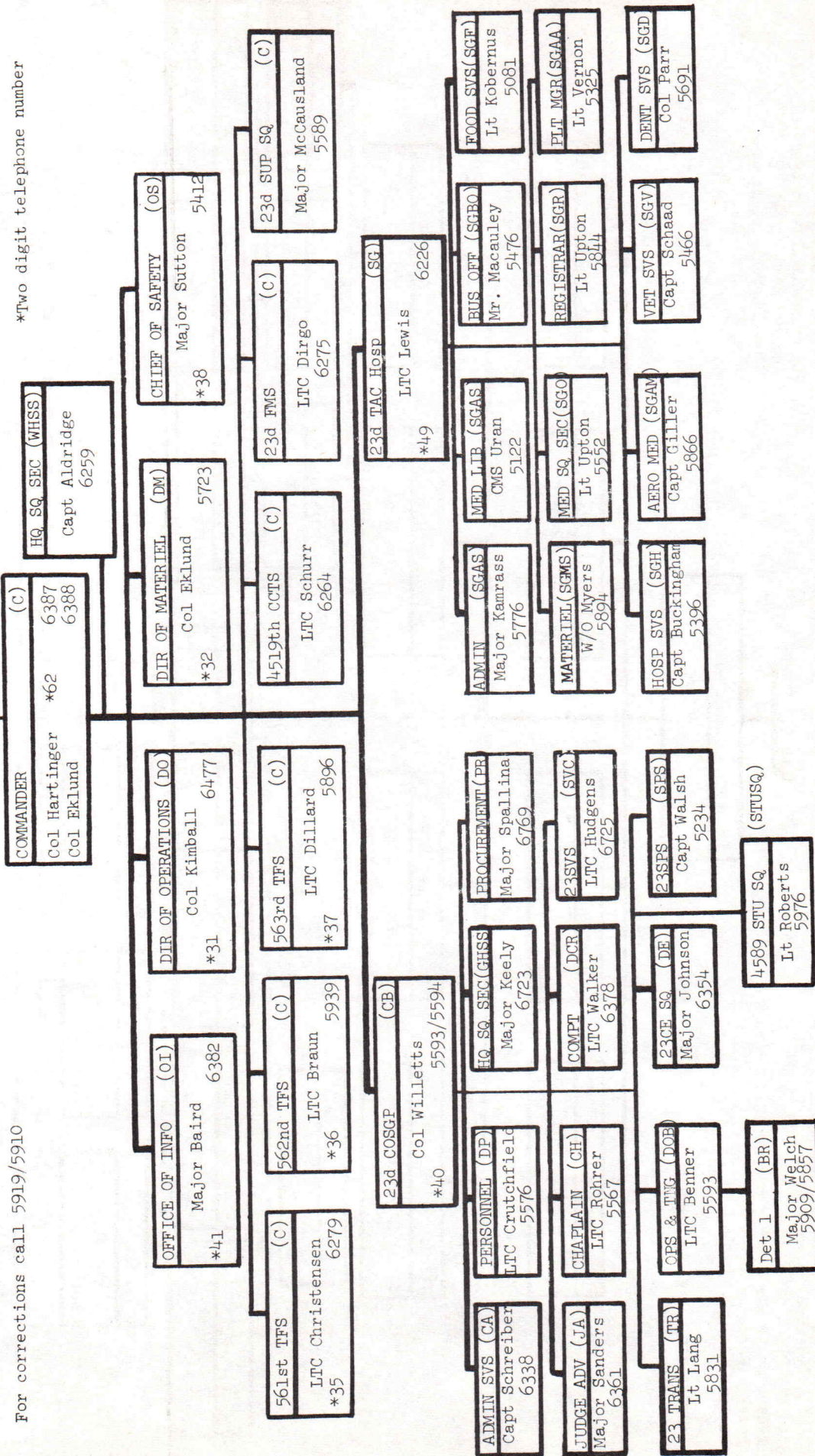
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23d TACTICAL FIGHTER WING
McCONNELL AFB, KANSAS 67221

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835th AD

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23d TFW SUPPORT UNITS

2007th Communications Squadron (AFCS)

Detachment 33, 25th Weather Squadron (MAC)

Detachment 16, Central Air Rescue and Recovery Center (MAC)

Detachment 19, Manpower and Management Engineering (TAC)

401S Field Training Detachment (ATC)

Detachment 2365, 1030th USAF Auditor General Group

MCCONNELL AFB TENANT UNITS

835th Air Division (TAC)

381st Strategic Missile Wing (SAC)

184th Tactical Fighter Group (KANSAS ANG/TAC)

23d TFW KEY PERSONNEL ROSTER

1 Jan 1969 - 30 Jun 1969

Commander	Col James V Hartinger
Vice Commander	Col Robert G Eklund
Director of Materiel	Col Robert G Eklund (acting, 10 Jun) Col Charles T Watkins (6 Jan) Col Cletus J Pottebaum
Director of Operations	Col Wesley D Kimball (8 Jun) Col Howard F Hendricks
Safety Officer	Maj Everett M Sutton
Information Officer	Maj Robert V Baird
<u>Field Maintenance Sqdrn</u>	
Commander	Lt Col Earl J Dirgo (24 Feb) Lt Col Harson B Hughes
<u>Supply Sqdrn</u>	
Commander	Maj Charles McCauseland (16 May) Maj Glenn E Schmidt
<u>561st TFS</u>	
Commander	Lt Col Nevin Christensen (11 Feb) Maj William Campfield (3 Feb) Lt Col Harry Sultzer
Operations Officer	Maj Gene Goodwin (19 May)
Maintenance Officer	Maj William Campfield Maj Myron D Ulrich
<u>562nd TFS</u>	
Commander	Lt Col Louis ^D T Braun, Jr
Operations Officer	Lt Col Robert T Campbell (15 Feb) Lt Col John M Rowan
Maintenance Officer	Maj Ulysses A Comeau
<u>563rd TFS</u>	
Commander	Lt Col William N Dillard
Operations Officer	Maj Roderick G Giffen
Maintenance Officer	Maj Ludwig J Wiese

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 Support
 Fighter
 Maintenance Officer

Lt Col Harry W Schurr
 Maj Robert T Cavanaugh
 Lt Col Billy J Dulin
 Lt Col Thomas J Collins, Jr

23d CSGp

Commander

 Deputy Commander

 Chief, Ops and Tng

 Admin Serv Officer

 Personnel Officer

 Comptroller

 Staff Judge Advocate

 Chaplain

 Procurement Officer

 Manpower Officer

 Security Police Commander

 Transportation Commander

 Civil Engineering Commander

 Services Commander

Col David L Willetts (15 Jan)
 Col Carl M Hagle

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 Lt Col James W Benner

 Capt Margaret E Schreiber

 Capt Tommie Barber (15 Jun)
 Lt Col Harold A DeMooy

 Lt Col William L Walker

 Maj Stark O Sanders

 Lt Col Clason L Rohrer

 Maj Marvin G Spallina

 Maj George M Boyd

 Capt Richard N Walsh (16 Jun)
 Capt Terrence M O'Connell

 1 Lt Howard M Lang (16 Jun)
 Capt John C Sunderland (26 May)
 Capt John A Miller (15 Jan)
 Capt John C Sunderland

 Maj John L Johnson

 Lt Col Helton G Hudgens

 Lt Col George O Lewis

23d Tactical Hospital

Commander